(c) whether notices can be issued belatedly; and

(d) if so, by when the notices would be issued in all the cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Necessary action as per due process of law has been taken against the companies from whom recoveries are due.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Price of Metakelfin Tablets

2479. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the approved price of Metakelfin Tablets and at what price this medicine is being sold;

(b) whether it is a fact that the manufacturer of this product is selling a number of other products either at prices in excess than approved prices or without price approval;

(c) if so, what are the names of the products alongwith the price at which each is being sold alongwith the approved price of each;

(d) whether any show cause notice has been issued for violation of the Drugs Price Control Order; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) A price of Rs. 4.89 has been fixed for a strip of two tablets under Drug (Prices Control) Order, 1979, against the price of Rs. 7.69 currently being charged by M/s. Walter Bushnal.

(b) and (c) The company is marketing a number of formulations in different pack sizes. The required details are therefore not readily available.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) The company is being asked to implement the price fixed by the Government.

Amount due from IDPL and HAL

2480. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the amount due from IDPL and HAL under Para 7(2) of Drugs Price Control Order, 1979 has been calculated by his Ministry;

(b) if so, what is the amount worked out in respect of each during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons for non-calculations of amount due and what action has been taken against those responsible for this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) to (c) Necessary action has been initiated to recover the amount.

Performance of I.D.P.L.

2481. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the main reason for IDPL losses is the burden of expenditure and interference of top bureaucrats;

(b) if so, what role is being played by his Ministry in the working, planning and policy of IDPL;

(c) whether it is a fact that IDPL has not been able to utilise the available production capacity of a number of drugs;